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MEETING THE CHALLENGE

When the feeling became ripe that a hundred and fifty thousand dollars were needed to erect and equip a Y. M. C. A. Building for the colored men and boys of St. Louis, a little more than a year ago, the question was, how can this amount be raised? The Board of Directors of the Central Branch agreed to give \$75,000 and Mr. Julius Rosenwald, a Jew of Chicago, who has done much for the Negro race, offered \$25,000; and the challenge was put to the colored people of St. Louis to raise \$50,000 to complete the desired amount. After the usual preliminaries, a Ten-day Campaign resulted in over \$69,000 in Subscriptions being secured by the colored workers.

Then Came The Test

There was much speculation on the part of many people of both white and black as to whether the \$150,000 would be collected. There seemed to be no doubt about the \$25,000 coming from Mr. Rosenwald; there seemed to be little doubt about the \$75,000 promised by the Board of Directors of the Central Branch of the Y. M. C. A.; but the \$50,000 promised by the colored people was the work of speculation and the center of real doubt. This condition brought the *Real Challenge*, the challenge of our manhood, the challenge of our womanhood, the challenge of our business obligation, the challenge of our moral obligation, and the challenge of our right to be counted among men and women. This challenge is being met bravely; this challenge is being met cheerfully, and this challenge is being met through sacrifice. Doubt was particularly centered upon those who made large pledges. Among them were the \$5,000 pledged by Mr. and Mrs. Malone, proprietors of Poro College, and \$1,000 each by Prof. Frank L. Williams, Principal Sumner High School; Dr. William L. Perry, Physician; Mr. W. C. Gordon, a prosperous undertaker; and one pledge of \$500 by Crittenden Clark, a Lawyer. Mr. and Mrs. Malone have paid their pledge in full; and all the other pledges (except one) have been mostly paid. *This is meeting the challenge.*

The \$25,000, or the half-way mark, has been virtually met by the cash. The colored people of St. Louis are to be congratulated on the splendid mark they have made. The ground for the new building will be broken soon. Let every one meet the *challenge in full* by paying up their pledges.

HOW THEY MUST FEEL

Up from every corner of America comes the message that American Negroes are willing to fight and to die for this country. Great and powerful newspapers which a few days ago told of Negroes being influenced by foreign foes, are today giving front page space in praise of the past history of the despised black race and are telling in no uncertain tones that the Negroes are one hundred per cent American when it comes to being loyal.

Patriotic meetings among Negroes are being held in every city of the land, giving the lie to the false impression that the Negro is a slacker.

But the crowning event in the turn of sentiment came the other day in Congress, when Representative Huddleston of Alabama in a stirring speech defended the loyalty of the Negroes. He said "These reports about the possibility of a Negro insurrection are almost traitorous." "I have grown up with them. I played with them in childhood. They are loyal, brave, and if called to the colors they will fight like men." "Some man in the South ought to stand up and speak for these people who have been so unjustly assailed." Representative Huddleston's speech brought forth a spontaneous outburst of applause.

What must the "white portion of American citizenship" think, when it is brought face to face with the fact that the very people who are despised, mistreated and denied their rights as men, are the people after all, whose devotion to the country and whose loyalty to the flag cannot be shaken.

How they must feel, it will take the Divine Maker to tell. It certainly must be a most feeling for a fellow to suddenly realize that he has been abusing and vilifying his best friend.

SEARCH THE RECORD

If there still be any secessors; if there still are those who would dare question the right of the Negro to be clothed with the fullness of American citizenship, we say to them "go search the record."

On account of a deep seated prejudice and a warped interpretation of right, historians have used their pens in such a way as to almost exclude any reference to the service of Negro soldiers in the various wars in which these United States have been involved. None of the individual acts of unsurpassed bravery, courage, coolness and intrepid dash of the Negro regiments are recorded by those who have heretofore written our histories.

Notwithstanding the fact that the sable sons of silent, wronged and magnificent Africa have borne a conspicuous part in every war in which this country has engaged since the dark and gloomy days of the early part of the seventeenth century, long before this "land of the free and home of the brave" had taken its stand among the powers of the earth. The Negro has shared in the glory of Trenton and his feet marked with blood the frozen banks of the Delaware. In the war of 1812 his dusky form was again seen in the ranks beneath the folds of "Old Glory." In the war with Mexico he helped carry that banner to triumphant success. Of the late

civil war, we need not speak, for the world knows the result of his manhood therein displayed. But it was in the memorable siege of Santiago and the never to be forgotten charge up San Juan Hill that he challenged the admiration of the American people and commanded the tumultuous applause of every liberty loving nation throughout the civilized world. And not once in this great drama of American warfare has there been a traitor found in a black skin.

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Of The St. Louis Argus, published weekly at Saint Louis, Mo., for April 1, 1917.

Before me, a notary public in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared J. E. Mitchell, who, having been duly sworn according to law, depose and says that he is the managing editor of The St. Louis Argus, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the true statement of the ownership, management and (if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

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(Signed) J. E. Mitchell.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of March, 1917.

Frankie G. Reed.

(Notary Public Seal.)

My commission expires June 24, 1919.

CARONDELET NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Brown, of Detroit, Mich., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil M. Knight last week of March. The Browns being among home-folks and old acquaintances, their stay was a very pleasant one, and Mrs. McKnight added much to their pleasure by related to Detroit in time for Easter, but help us, we need your help. Special services Sunday afternoon at 7:30. The Lord's Supper will be observed at 8:30 p. m. All are welcome. Our pastor preached an excellent sermon Sunday evening; his subject was "Go," Rev. A. P. Herold, pastor, J. Wilson, clerk.

LANE TAKENMADE C. M. E. CHURCH NOTES

On last Sunday the pastor, Dr. N. L. Smith, preached two powerful sermons. The Sunday school, at 9:30 a. m., showed a great improvement both in attendance and finance.

Next Sunday Dr. Smith will preach at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. At 8 p. m. Rev. G. W. Clemmons, pastor, and congregation of Temple Ave. Baptist Church will be present. Rev. Clemmons will preach at this hour. Members are expected to be prompt and visitors and friends are welcome.

Now that the great "Show 'Up Italy" is near at hand the captains and members are working like trojans. Let every member join in and help.

"Monday Night 'A Grab Bag' entertainment at Mrs. Ella Howell's, 4023 Cottage Ave."

Tuesday night, Church Supper.

Wednesday night, Parlor Social at 3799 Finney Ave.

Friday night, Class Meeting.

Saturday night, Cottage Entertainment at Mrs. L. M. Murphy's, 4254 Cottage Ave.

Let every member be a booster.

ST. PAUL'S A. M. E. CHURCH

"Broken Pieces" was the theme of Dr. Johnson's discourse last Sunday morning, which was well received by the large congregation. Old St. Paul is taking on new life as is evidenced by the increase in membership and at attendance. Standing room was at a premium Sunday morning and the doors had to be closed to seat the people in the Lecture Room.

The church is thoroughly engaged in every department and with the amount of peace and harmony that exists together with the strong and logical sermons preached by Dr. Johnson, it is no wonder that so many strangers from the South and other portions of the country, find their way to our church.

On time next Sunday to hear Dr. Johnson on one of his favorite sermons. Preaching Sundays at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The next meeting Tuesday, 8 p. m. Preaching Thursday, 8 p. m. and Sunday morning at 6 o'clock.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

South Kinloch Park

We are progressing under the leadership of a worthy pastor, Rev. A. P. Herold. We are putting forth every effort to make this church a reality. The foundation is to be completed this week. Every auxiliary of the church is alive, our captains are confident of their success. May 27, in the first financial rally the season. Come, and help us, we need your help. Special services Sunday afternoon at 7:30. The Lord's Supper will be observed at 8:30 p. m. All are welcome. Our pastor preached an excellent sermon Sunday evening; his subject was "Go," Rev. A. P. Herold, pastor, J. Wilson, clerk.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Elmwood Park

Sunday services are morning and evening. The pastor gave us some good advice Sunday morning from his subject, "Bring the children to Christ or call for them." At night his subject was "God gave them up." The Sunday school, R. Y. P. U. and Mission Circle are striving and praying to be in front rank in all lines. There will be ordination service Wednesday, April 25, at 8:00 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of ordaining Brother Robert Nathan for deacon. Don't forget our baptizing the first Sunday in May. All are welcome. Take Care Coeur Lake car, and get off at Marion Ave. Rev. J. P. Nichols, pastor, Slater J. Madison, clerk.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

The fight is on. Members, have you sharpened your swords with prayers? Are you ready for the conflict? The battle is hot, and we need your assistance. Dr. Morris is not sparing himself, please fill your place in the church, and bring some sinners with you. At last Sunday's service there was one addition to the church. Come one and all. Rev. D. W. Morris, pastor.

SEVEN CHURCH BAPTIST UNION

The Union met April 16, with El Bethel Church, Rev. W. W. Perry, pastor. After devotional services, the speaker of the hour, Rev. Hall, delivered a good gospel sermon. Rev. Hall was filled with the Holy Spirit and brought a burning message to us. The Union extends sympathy to Mrs. Busby and little daughter in their grief. Rev. T. W. Lee was reported seriously ill. The next meeting will be with Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Rev. A. Dixon, pastor, 1405 Morgan. Collection, \$14.00.

MR. MITCHELL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, April 22, will be the installation of pastor. All ministers and

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their congregations are invited, as an interesting program has been arranged. The installation of the officers of the North St. Louis Union Volunteer Band, a most brilliant affair, and a three-course supper was served in dining room of the church. Our revival will begin April 22. All are invited. Rev. W. W. Perry, pastor; Lillian Pinkney, secretary.

THE CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH ITEMS

Sunday will be a busy day at Central. Preaching at eleven o'clock, the Lord's Supper at 2:30 and preaching at night. Pastor Stevens will be in from the country. Rev. R. H. C. Sydnor will preach and assist the pastor through the day and the Rev. C. Harris will preach at night. Last Sunday was a notable day at Central Church. One of the largest audiences in many weeks was present and the pastor's first appearance in several weeks made the occasion inspiring to him and to the church. The young people's special song program at night was most enjoyable to the many who heard it. The noted Bible teacher, the Rev. Dr. S. N. Vass, will hold a Bible institute at the Central Church in May from the 15th to the 18th. This institute will not doubt prove to be a notable event, for Dr. Vass holds no second place to any Bible scholar and instructor in the country. All students of the Scriptures are urged to attend. Central will begin her great spring financial campaign by searching the Scriptures under the lead of this master.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH

A great revival meeting has been on for three weeks at our church. Rev. Jackson and Rev. Dickey, have been with us, and greatly stirred the West Side. We will baptize next Sunday at the St. James A. M. E. Church, 2 p. m. sharp, and we hope all candidates will be ready. At 4 p. m. the band of Christian fellowship will be given the candidates and new members; the church covenant taken and the Lord's Supper observed. A free reception will be given the new members next Friday night. It will be a social and religious gathering. All members and friends. The general public is invited. No charges.

LEONARD AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

The past week has been a great week at our church, celebrating the third anniversary of Rev. Dunaway's pastorate. Each department of the church rendered a program on its respective night. Monday night, April 16, all organizations made their final report, and turned over to the church \$215.66 as the result of their efforts of the past two weeks. This is our first money to apply on the new church building which we will erect in the near future. The visitors of various Baptist churches enjoyed the well prepared luncheon served last Monday night free to all present.

FIDELITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Elmwood Park, St. Louis County. Preaching Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 8 p. m. Mission Circle first and third Wednesdays in each month at 8 p. m. Communion first Sunday in each month. Rev. J. P. Nichols, Pastor.

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AND LOCAL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Tritt have removed from 3855 Pine to 3845 Pine.

Mrs. G. A. Allen, of 4333 Kenney Ave., is visiting her mother in Jefferson City.

The funeral of Mr. Earl Almscheid, 3441 Pine, will be held Sunday, April 22 from Pythian Temple.

The Phenomena Girls' Club will be seen in a "Novelty Sport" party Thursday, April 26 at Pythian Hall.

There will be services as usual at the All Saints Episcopal Church Sunday at 11:30 and 5:30.

Robert Anderson, Jr., has returned from a \$500 mile trip through the south for his health.

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Mrs. Lillian Carter, of the Argus staff, was in Warren, Mo., two days last week on business.

Prof. A. R. Chinn, Chief G.M. of the Knights of Tabor of Missouri, was seen in St. Louis during the past week.

Mrs. Oscar Hunt, of 1734 Whittier, left this week for Edmonton, Alberta, Can., where she will be joined by husband and brother.

Owing to the inclement weather of last week, Mrs. Mable G. Turner did not return to the hospital till April 11. She is much improved.

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Musical comedy, "A Butler in Hawaii," presented by Mrs. A. H. Officer, under the direction of Mrs. Grace Key Carleton, Monday, May 21, at Pythian Temple.

Miss Elsie Kinnison, of St. Johns, Ill., while attending the Southwestern Teachers' Institute of Illinois, spent a few days with Miss Anna Belle Chapman of this city.

Mr. Emmitt Mickel, who has been in Hot Springs, Ark., for the past four months, spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Addie Moore, 2945 Bernard, en route to Des Moines, Ia.

Mr. John Map, of 2927 Lawton Ave., has returned from San Antonio, Texas, after a visit to his mother. He reports that summer time there, is in fine health.

Mrs. E. H. Robinson, of 4430a West Belle has returned from her visit to Nashville, Tenn., where she was the guest of her sister-in-law for three weeks. 2335 Market St.

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Mr. J. H. Redmond, of 2423 Goode Avenue, spent a few days at Hot Springs, Ark., visiting his sister, Mrs. E. H. Robinson. He is a little girl under there why he reports such an enjoyable trip.

Mrs. Belle Ukle, 3748 Desbora St., Chicago, Ill., died Monday, the ninth of April, and was buried in Chicago. Mrs. Ukle will be remembered by many as having resided at 2924 Lawton Ave., this city, for many years; but had made her home in Chicago for the past four years.

Mrs. M. Shackelford, formerly of this city, but now residing in Detroit, Mich., passed through the city last week en route to Tipton, Mo., to attend the funeral of her sister, Miss Nora Shackelford.

There will be a parlor social Saturday, April 28, at the residence of Mrs. L. B. Murphy, 4224 Cottage Ave., for the benefit of Lane Thelma C. M. E. Church, Rev. N. L. Smith, pastor, Mrs. L. B. Murphy, captain.

Mrs. R. Porter, 2609 Market Place, after spending nine months with relatives and friends in Illinois and Kentucky, has returned to the city. She reports the loss of her father, Mr. Joe Steele during her absence. She expects to make another trip in the near future.

The First Annual Reception of the E. C. Club, April 16, at the Pythian Hall, was well attended by both the younger and older social set. The hall was beautifully decorated in their blue and white and red. Every one seemed to have enjoyed a pleasant evening. The club wishes to thank every one for the interest they showed in the club, by attending their first annual social. Miss Ocie Calhoun, president; Miss Idell Hubbert, secretary.

Concert by Beanecker School at Y. W. C. A. Friday, May 11.

Dr. Geo. Hall, of Chicago, will be the guest of the Y. M. C. A. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Turner are now residing with Mrs. Frank Estel, of Audubon Avenue.

The many friends of Mrs. Eva Hopson will be pleased to know that she is now able to go out.

Mrs. Mattie Anderson, of 2935 West Belle, is still confined to her bed, this being the third week of her illness.

Mrs. Johnson, of Chicago, daughter of Mrs. J. A. Shaffer, has been quite ill at her mother's home here in this city.

Miss Belle Kelley, hairdresser, of Florence, Ala., is in our city this week the guest of her mother, Mrs. Hattie Kelley, 3202 Pine St.

The Twelve Knights held their regular monthly meeting March 20 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Terry, 2921 Lamdin.

Rev. Geo. Stevens, his wife and daughter, Helen, have gone up to the farm at Wood River, Ill., for a two weeks' rest.

Mrs. John Dobson, 3512 Michigan Ave., was home to the Pfau Fur Thursday, April 19. An unusually enjoyable evening was spent.

Mr. P. C. Givens, editor of the "Searchlight," Sedalia, Mo., during his brief visit to St. Louis this week, paid respects to the editor of the Argus, by calling at the office.

Through the efforts of Mr. T. A. Dickson, western manager of the Standard Life Ins. Co., Mrs. Nellie Agge has become one of the local agents.

Dr. W. L. Vaughn, recent graduate of McHenry Medical and Pharmaceutical Course is a visitor in the city, the guest of his brother attorney, Geo. L. Vaughn.

Mrs. Homer G. Phillips has returned to St. Louis after spending the winter in Hot Springs, Ark., for the past four months. She was accompanied by her husband, Attorney Phillips, who had been visiting her for the past ten days.

Dr. and Mrs. Stevens, accompanied by their daughter, Helen, are spending a short while in Altoon, their summer home. Dr. Stevens will return for the Sunday services at Central Baptist Church.

Miss Jane Bullock was quietly married to O. W. Henningsen at the home of her parents April 3, Rev. N. L. Smith officiating. They are at home to their friends at 4045 Oak Ave. Phone Lindell 3456R.

The "Hundred Dollar Club" made its debut at the residence of Mrs. Benj. King, 4032 West Belle, April 15. Mrs. E. H. Robinson will be host to the club, at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Craddock, April 22.

The Excelsior Culture Club met with Mrs. Mae Steele, 4458 Kenney Ave., April 9 and the lives of Booker T. Washington and Frederick Douglass were discussed. A pleasant evening was spent. Laura Henderson, president; Gertrude Brown, secretary; Mae Elita Steele, reporter.

A delightful evening was spent April 13 at the residence of Mrs. Joseph Edwards, 1911 Division Street; on which occasion, Mrs. E. H. Robinson entertained some friends in honor of her husband's birthday. Dancing and games, immensely enjoyed by all, were followed by a gorgeous luncheon. The following guests were present: Mrs. E. H. Robinson, Mrs. E. H. Robinson, Dr. W. L. Whitte, Mr. and Mrs. Clemmons, and Mr. Walker Fletcher.

Miss Harriet Lamb was at home to the Cottee Girls Saturday from 2:30 to 6:30 at the beautiful home of Miss Ethelyn L. Hoard. The decorations were in keeping with the times with sage color, indeed it was a patriotic party. Ten members were present. Guests were: Misses Zenobia Williams, Pearl Adams and C. A. Lewis. Miss L. B. Shouder, President; Miss Grace L. Williams, Secretary.

The West End Art Club was entertained by its president, Mrs. H. G. Gans, 4264 Cottage Boulevard, on April 11, after the regular routine of business, a delicious luncheon was served in two courses. The hostess then presented each member with a beautiful basket artistically made of straw, ribbon, and the club colors, green and gold. The club is anticipating a very pleasant time on May 3, at which event a grand reception will take place. The residence of Mrs. Lee on Lucky St. Work done by the club will also be on exhibition.

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PERSONAL

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Y. W. C. A. NOTES

Listen! Madam Anita Patti Brown, our great singer, will appear at the Y. W. C. A. May 14. Keep the date! The address of Miss Mary G. Evans on "Service and its Joy" under the auspices of the Association meeting Thursday evening, was a wonderful inspiration to those who heard it.

With the reports given at this meeting our 1917 budget campaign has about reached the three thousand dollar (\$3,000.00) mark. Everyone is jubilant over the splendid work done by our campaign workers.

We are still working and hope to report having reached our \$5,000 goal at an early date.

The "Modern Priscillas," a new club of high school girls under the direction of Miss Lillian Vandenberg and Miss Vemba Brown, enjoyed a great time in an indoor picnic given in our gymnasium Saturday afternoon. The girls were very attractive in their picnic costumes. Everyone had a jolly good time at this first picnic of the season. All success to the Modern Priscillas!

A bright and happy bunch of "Wo Ho Lo" girls under Miss Miriam Curcio kept things lively at the Association on Saturday afternoons. They are looking forward with much enthusiasm to the debate to be held next Saturday. Miss Marie Gossin has become a popular leader among the younger girls on Saturdays.

Mrs. C. E. Robinson and Mrs. Howard were valuable chaperones at recreation hours on Saturday evening. Recreation evenings become more and more popular among the young men and women.

Tennis, swimming and gardening clubs are now being formed among the Association girls.

Dr. Wm. L. Perry gave an interesting talk at Y. W. C. A. Sunday afternoon. Our Wednesday prayer group and Bible Class has become a great power and strength to our work.

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DEATHS OF THE WEEK

William Nara, 3636 Randolph.....45
Frank Grafton, 1128 Brooklyn.....35
Helen McCoy, 3026 Lawton.....15
John Richardson, 3628 Morgan.....65
Willie Williams, 2092 Market.....14
John Crow, 109 S. 10th.....44
Charlotte Jones, 2324 Pine.....66
Annie Taylor, 4224 N. Market.....35
Julius Pruitt, 815 N. 23rd.....40
James Noll, 2924 Morgan.....40
Charles Lee, 4577 Cottage.....42
Allen Brooks, 2008 Laclede.....29
Jennie Campbell, 4363 Delmar.....28
Charles Campbell, 1239 B. Broadway.....14
Viola Johnson, 2630 Lawton.....22
Emerline Ellis, 1003 Brooklyn.....60
James Moss, 4228 San Francisco.....70
Julia Johnson, 112 Spruce.....67
John Johnson, 112 Spruce.....67
Joseph W. Brown, 610 Clark.....63
Johanna Baker, City Hospital.....38
Belle Morgan, 205 S. Ewing.....17
William Gurley, 1327 Morgan.....39
Laver Gregory, 415 S. Ewing.....49
William Smith, City Hospital.....49
Burrell Armstrong, 3441 Pine.....51
Alice Kidd, 4234 N. Market.....6
Lucy Dalton, 1407 Pine.....52

Mr. Burrell Armstrong, of 3441 Pine Street, died Sunday, April 15. Funeral services to be held Sunday, April 22, at Pythian Hall, 3137 Pine St., under auspices of Osward Lodge No. 17 A. F. and A. M. All master masons are requested to be at Pythian Hall at 12 m. sharp.

DIED AT TIPTON, MO.

Miss Nora A. Shackelford, of Tipton, died Thursday, April 5, after several months' illness. The funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon by Rev. V. W. Boland, pastor of Burns Chapel M. E. Church. The beautiful floral designs received from St. Louis and Kansas City, are evidence of her many friends. A letter of condolence from Miss Ida Mae Frey, teacher in one of the schools of Kansas City, was a pious and serene in itself. Rev. Boland delivered an able and impressive sermon, which was appreciated highly by the immediate family and relatives. She leaves a mother, two sisters, five brothers, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends and relatives for their sympathy shown us in our sad hour of bereavement in the loss of our dear son and brother, James R. Marshall. We especially thank Rev. G. B. Shaw for his kind and comforting words; the choir for their beautiful music; Mrs. Clara Martin for her beautiful solo; the pallbearers, for their services, and the undertaker, J. H. Harrison, for his kind and efficient services. Also for the many beautiful floral offerings, Mrs. Lucinda Marshall, mother, Miss Willette V. Toles, sister.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to friends and neighbors for their kindness during the illness and death of our beloved father and husband, Mr. Chas. Busby, who departed this life April 11, 1917, for the beautiful floral offerings and kind words of sympathy extended by the church, and auxiliaries of El Bethel Baptist Church, all the ministers, for their comforting words, and Mr. J. H. Harrison, undertaker, for his courteous attention. Signed by wife, Parthenia Busby, and daughter, Alberta Busby.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Millie A. Shackelford and family wish to express their thanks to many friends for their sympathetic kindness during the illness and bereavement of their daughter and sister.

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Evil Speaking

By REV. JAMES M. GRAY, D.D.
Dean of Moody Bible Institute,
Chicago.

TEXT—Speak not evil one of another,
brethren.—James 4:11.

Evil speaking has been a reigning of-
fense in every age. It was for this
cause that some of the other
causes that God
ever gave up the
heaven to a
reprobate mind
and because they
were filled with
all unrighteous-
ness, backbiters,
slanders, inven-
tors of evil things.
Nor did Christi-
anity immediately
reform this
evil even among
believers. We find
Paul saying to
the church at Corinth, "I fear lest
there be among you debates, envyings,
backbitings, whisperings, swellings,
tumults."

The evil speaking we have to guard
against is not so much the flagrant lie
and the reviling speech, but the private
ways of calumny—the ungrounded
and false rumors, the unkind con-
structions, the ready acceptance of
bad reports, the carrying of tales and
the disposition to dwell upon the worst
rather than the best.

As someone has said, this is what the flies
do—skip over what is sound in men
and alight upon their sores.

There are some lives that are blameless
that even malice is ashamed to vent
its spite against them, and yet there is a
way of accomplishing the evil pur-
pose even in their case. Their whole
character may not be attacked but as-
saults made upon parts of it. If
another is to be libeled and the borders
of their good name clipped away, it
must be done by the use of the tongue.
Someone says that, "so-and-so is a very
accomplished person," and we reply
that, "probably he is, but he is pretty
well." This does not say that he is
proud or vain, but it comes so near to
it that there is no need to say it. If
another is commended for his good
works we can add that "although he
has his own particular ends in view."

All Are Exposed to It.

One would think it would enter our
mind when speaking of another to re-
flect how we ourselves are exposed to
the same danger. The Scripture says,
"Take heed if ye bite and devour one
another that ye be not consumed by
another." It is a game that two can
play at. The devil who instigated your
slander against your neighbor can in-
stigate your neighbor to instigate a sim-
ilar slander against you.

And then there is the other thought,
that when we search into the corners
of our lives and ransack the gutter and
cellar of our corrupt nature, many
things may be found for occasion
against us as well as others. As Paul
said to the Galatians, "If a man be
overaken in a fault, ye which are
spiritual restore such an one in the
spirit of meekness, considering thyself
lest by the occasion of knowledge thou
also be tempted and fall into the same
snare." We shall find that as we cease being
evil listeners we lessen the temptation to
be evil speakers. As the temptation is
kept up by exchange, and if we
bring you a story it will seem as in-
evitably not to repay him with an-
other, therefore if he accuses A, and
you will condemn B, and
thus it goes. The Scripture says,
"Thou shalt not receive a false report."

Keeping the Balance.
Of course there is a prudent observa-
tion of each other's conduct which
should be practiced by Christians and
there may be a useful impartation to
each other of what we have seen and
known, not what we have heard or
guessed. For self-defense, for the sake
of justice, for the love of others, it
may be necessary to proclaim our tes-
timony. But this is not speaking evil
of another for it is done with an
honest purpose and a harmless mind.

As William Cullen Bryant says:

Dear side of mutual succor binds
The children of our fellow race;
And we should strive to be kind,
This earth were but a weary place.

We lean on others as we walk.

And there is a life bound to talk
Of treating that dim path alone!

In vain, however, does the Chris-
tian preacher inveigh against a wrong
thing like this, or exhort to the right
one, except as he points out the power
by which the one may be avoided and
the other attained. That power is
Jesus Christ. To the Christian, I, e.,
the truly reprobate man, there should
be no aversion to him. He should know
that if he surrenders himself to the
Spirit of the Lord who dwells within
him, he will receive power to become
a child of God in deed as well as in
name.

And to the man who is not a Chris-
tian, the advice is practically the same.
Let him accept Jesus Christ by faith
as his Savior and confides him as his
Lord, and he will discover that he is
able not only to redeem him from the
sin that he has committed, but to keep
him from its power. See also from his
power as expressed in an evil tongue.

NATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By H. O. KELLEHER, Acting Director of
the Sunday-School Course in the Moody
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LESSON FOR APRIL 22

JESUS ANOINTED AT BETHANY.

LESSON TEXT—John 12:1-11.
GOLDEN TEXT—The bath does what
she could—Mt. 26:13.

This is a lesson of Jesus in the
home. It occurred at the beginning of
passion week. We have before us the
master; the master, Martha; the wor-
shiper, Mary; the witness, Lazarus;
the traitor, Judas, and the people with-
out. An unconscious bit of wisdom
fell from the lips of that good house-
wife who exclaimed, "How much better
my neighbors' houses look when I
have my windows clean." Too much
we are looking through the eyes of
selfishness. Out of this lesson let us
learn to look through unselfish eyes.
I, Urquhart Critchfield (vs. 1-6). It is
the Master of Bethany last Friday.
The accounts of Matthew and Mark
suggest it to have been within two
days, because they mention the
feast after telling of the conspiracy of
the chief priests and elders with Judas,
who came to his determination to
sell him after telling of the reprimand
given him on this occasion.

(1) The Value of Good Deeds. Jesus
did not forget, in the supreme
hour of his love, the disciples whom he
loved. To bring them some further
spiritual gifts, he had come to their
home in Bethany. Doubtless he also
loved the pleasure of being with them,
the faith which had been kindled in the
hearts of all by the resurrection of
Lazarus, just as he returned to Cana
of Galilee to witness his first miracle
(John 4:54). Jesus was very
God of very God, yet he was very
much of a real man; therefore he en-
joyed the pleasure of being with
other men, and the joys of kinship
and brotherhood.

(2) The Wealth of Good Deeds. Out
of his love, Mary expended \$25, prob-
ably her whole treasure, in the pur-
chase of this alabaster box, and put
it gently to use upon him at the
feet of his Master. We do not think she
stopped to calculate the cost of this
gift. Love never estimates value.
Her deed proved a safer rule of con-
duct than the calculating prodigies of
Judas and the other disciples (see
Matt. 26:3). Such deeds are always
looked upon with suspicion. The levi-
tanic penalty for the leaders in criti-
cizing the actions of others. Bury
at the bottom of their criticism, but
good deeds are unproductive, for we
forget that "the house was filled with
odor."

(3) A Standard of Good Deeds
(Mark 14:8). "She did what she
could." This is the standard of good
deeds, a memorial to her (Mark 14:9).
A large number of people
who never give of their own to the
poor nor to the kingdom of God are
willing to criticize others who do give
of the gratitude of their loving
hearts.

H. Graciously Commendation (vs.
7-11). Jesus praised where his disci-
ples and Judas criticized. The poor
they always had with them (Mark
14:7). This must have been a chal-
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